SIMS TELLS OF CLASHES WITH NAVY DEPARTMENT

Much Valuable Advice Went Unheeded, and Officials at Home Refused Change of Policy.

CONVOYS BARELY ESCAPE

By Persistent Use of Old Code Many

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 15.—A hitherto unpublished story of war-time anxiety in London and Washington, lest German battle cruisers attempt a forlorn hope raid against American transports, was disclosed today to the Sental Naval Investigating Committee by Rear-Admiral Sims, Messages exchanged by Admiral Benson, chief of operations, and Admiral Sims in July, 1918, were presented by the latter to correct "implications" which he said Secretary Daniels had made to the committee that "general plans and policies were none of my business."

Included in plans formed by the Navy Department to meet such raids and rejected by Admiral Sims as "impracticable" was a proposal to cal on Japan for a battle cruiser division to serve with the American Atlantic Fleet.

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In his first statement to the committee, when the present investigation began, Admiral Sims said the complaints he had to make against the Navy Department were confined largely to the first six or eight months of the war. When he entered today upon his discussion of events that occurred in the summer of 151s, he said he did so because Mr. Danleis, in a statement to the committee, had implied that Admiral Sims' post in London was "purely a local one."

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The statement was inaccurate," Admiral Sims said.

In the spring of 1918, he said, when the submarine menace had been overcome, naval officials in London became apprehensive that the Germans might, as a last venture, send out battle cruisers in the hope of destroying an American convoy. That this apprehension was felt also at the Navy Department, he said, was demonstrated by the following cablegram from Admiral Benson:

lowing cablegram from Admiral Bension:

Peared Cruiser Raid.

"As last hope, German battle cruisers may be sent out to completely destroy one of our large troop convoys. We depend upon you to gain and give information on this point and grand fleet to take necessary action until United States can act."

In reply, Admiral Sims said he cabled that everything possible would be done to intercept raiding German cruisers, but that there could not be any guarantee that enemy battle cruisers would not reach the open Atlantic undetected. He advised guarding United States troop convoys with battleships.

Despite this, he said the Navy Department, on July 39, outlined a plan of its own to meet such raids, predicated, he added, on the "false premise" that advance warning would be given. The plan contemplated piacing one division of American battleships at Queenstown, Ireland, to cover the Eastern Atlantic, another to be held at home in readiness to cover the Western Atlantic and a division of Japanese

PLANT JUICE WAS ONLY ONE TO HELP

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HAD BAD STOMACH TROUBLE

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The rich man's aim in life, in many cases, is to obtain an appetite; the poor man's, to satisfy the one he already possesses. Both are to be pitied if they do not see a fulfillment of their desires. Unfortunately stomach trou-ble, with its accompanying symptoms



ROBERT L. ROBERTS.

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they have received.

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Mr. Robert L. Roberts, of 1549 East Main Street, who was born in Rich-mond and has lived here all his life, having a large circle of friends. He

"For the past year or so I have suf-fered greatly from stomach trouble end had tried all kinds of medicine. which did me no good whatever. I could not sleep at night and felt tired could not sleep at night and felt tired and nervous all the time. Gas would accumulate in my stomach and I was bloated and in constant agony. When I got up in the morning I felt as tired as if I had never been to bed at all. I was badly constipated also, I commenced to take Plant Juice and got almost immediate relief. It has proved its worth in my case, for it has put my stomach in good condition and I my stomach in good condition and I have no more trouble with gas; I sleep well and am able to eat everything I want. That tired feeling is gone and I am glad to recommend Plant Juice to others, as it was the only medicine

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clared. 'It was eventually abandoned, | with the full concurrence of the Navy Department, and for it was substituted a plan substantially the same as pre-

viously recommended by me."
Admiral Sims said the department sent cable after cable, insisting that its plan be given a trial, and that it was not abandoned finally until months Supreme Court Allows State to Inafter it was first suggested. A raid in the meantime, he asserted, would have found the United States without a practical working plan to meet it.

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Secrets of Troop Movements
Were Divulged to Enemy Secret
Service.

German tornedoes, Admiral Sims declared. "Good luck" was with the department, he insisted, as the enemy had advance information of the sailing of convoys and destroyers through the department's use of an old and unsafe

succeeding Franklin K. Lane, who retured March I.

Mr. Payne was replaced on the Shipping Board by Rear-Admiral William S. Benson, retired. Admiral Benson was appointed only as a member of the board, but it is expected he will be elected chairman.

One of Mr. Payne's last acts as chairman of the Shipping Board was to create two new positions, that of general counsel and general solicitor.

Robert A. Dean, general counsel for the Emergency Fleet Corporation, was appointed to the first office, and Charles F. Dutch was made general solicitor.

Solicitor-General King announced tonight that in the New Jersey suit he would file the same motion as presented in the Rhode Island case. This motion contended that the questions where not justiciable and that the court lacked jurisdiction to hear the suit.

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Only the fact that "God was with HEAR ALL PHASES OF CASE

y codes in sending news of convoy innovements, but without avail. The success of the allies in "breaking" engage was "astounding," he added, and he had assumed that the enemy was equally successful, although actually, it was later learned, the Germans did not have great success in breaking alled codes.

Vital facts regarding American convoys were discussed at social affairs in Paris before either he or General Person his prepared statement, and he sent to France from New York in business codes.

This was the sixth day on which Admiral Sims has read to the committee from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he does not expect to conclude it before from his prepared statement, and he miral slms has read to the convert case in the lower courts.

PAYNE TAKES HOLD AS

SECRETARY OF INTERIOR

Former Chairman of Shipping Board and the Volstead act doeketed today from New York and San Francisco. The former succeeding Franklin K. Linne in the President's Cabinet.

Barton Payne retired today as chairman of the Shipping Board and was sworn in as Secretary of the Interior, succeeding Franklin K. Lane, who retired March 1.

Mr. Payne was replaced on the Shipping Board and was sworn in as Secretary of the Interior, but love of the multiplicity of requests for hearings, the court posting for private consumption, but it is expected he will be elected chairman.

One of Mr. Payne's last acts as

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SYNDICATE OF MOONSHINERS PLAN IMMUNITY FROM RAIDS

ls Charge Made by Federal Agents on Georgia Liquor

Atlanta, Ga., March 15 .- Plans by which Federal agents say a "syndicate of moonshiners" in Cherokee County, if an investigation is wanted, let there Ga., sought to obtain immunity from Federal raids on payment of \$500 a month were described here today at a HEAR ALL PHASES OF CASE

Supreme Court Will Not Pass on Prohibition's Constitutionality Until Arguments Have Been Heard From Every Angle.

[By Associated Press]

WASHINGTON, March 15—All phases of the prohibition question will be heard by the Supreme Court before handing down its decision upon the validity of the prohibition amendment and the Volstead enforcement act.

Having heard arguments in the

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE SAYS WELCOMES INVESTIGATION

Declares "Wets" Not Honest in Demand and Would Break Neeks to Stop Probe.

WESTERVILLE, OHIO, March 15 .statement issued today by the Anti-Saloon League of America on the pro-posed legislative investigation of the league in New York and that requested in Maryland by the Anti-Prohibition



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LARGE "MOONSHINE" OUTFIT SEIZED BY FEDERAL AGENTS movement for an investigation don't

Three Stills and Nearly Thousand Gallons of Spirits Confiscated by Revenue Men.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Three fiftygallon stills, said by prohibition agents to be the best equipped outfit seized since the passage of the Volstead law, were confiscated today in a raid on the home of Joseph Gailo, in Brooklyn, Eight gallons of high-proof spirits, eight barrels of mail and ten barrels of mash also were taken. Gallo was not at home. want any! In fact, if they knew an omes it, and wil stand or fall by the esuit of it." result of it."

To make an investigation of the Anti-Saloon League, it is declared, would be to make an investigation of practically every religious denomination in the country. "Just imagine what such an investigation would include and comprehend," it declares.

A long list of national and State officers are given, setting forth their affiliation with various churches and religious organizations.

Books of the league, it is asserted, are audited by paid certified public accountants. GENERAL ASSEMBLY DEALS

KINDLY WITH VETERANS

Thin Gray Line Dealt With More Generously Than in History of Legislature.

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"Have the religious denominations of that country been blind, and have the big men who support the league been fools and dupes?" is asked.

"To question the league is to question the league is to question the statement as-Confederate veterans in Virginia were dealt with more generously at the session of the Legislature which adjourned last Saturday night than by any in the history of legislation on health of the men who followed Lee and lackson.

amount recommended by the Governor in his biennial budget.

Increases to the individual pensioner have been made all group the line. The totally blind veteran, who received under the nets of 1918, \$180 a year, will receive this year \$200; the totally discrete this year \$200; the totally discrete this year \$200; the totally discrete this year \$200; the partially disabled, \$100, instead of \$75; the partially disabled, \$75, instead of \$55; and those who lost a limb, \$100, instead of \$55. Widows of soldiers, sallors or marines of the Confederate Army, who were married prior to May 1, 1875, are now entitled to \$60, instead of \$50.

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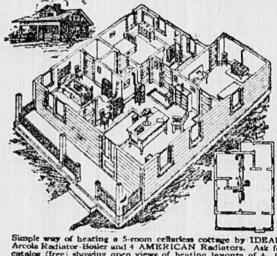
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